





Committee Responsibilities



62.1-44.38:2.A

- ◆ Assist DEQ in an advisory capacity on the State Water Resources Plan
- ◆ Include people representing certain interests
- ◆ Meet no less than twice a year



62.1-44.38:2.B

- ◆ Spells out eight issues to examine
- ◆ Issues represent areas where consensus was not reached in the development of the regulation



Issues to examine

- Process for incorporating local plans into a state plan and minimizing conflict among them
- Methodologies for calculating demand
- Funding for necessary data
- Effectiveness of regionalization
- Impacts of consumptive use and reuse
- Use of alternative sources
- Environmental flows
- Role of the Water Control Board



Mission

- ◆ Advise DEQ in the development of policies and programs to ensure that the Commonwealth's water resources are utilized equitably, efficiently, and sustainably for the benefit of all Virginians.



Why legislation?

- ◆ Specific content of State Plan not defined in statute or regulation
- ◆ State Plan needs to be meaningful—have “teeth”
- ◆ Fear that the regulated community may lose something they already have or may need in the future
- ◆ Need to move beyond the status quo



So why are YOU
here?
